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PROGRAM PRODUCT AND MANAGEMENT
SERVER EXECUTING PRESCRIBED
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PROCESS TO A TRANSMITTED IMAGE (as amended)

## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following remarks are submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated April 4, 2008. Claims 1-23 are currently pending in the present application.

Claims 1-10, 12-20, and 22-23 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Rublee, U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0043416. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Rublee is directed to a network-based scanning system where a scanned image is sent to an electronic e-mail address. The scanner appends an electronic mail address of the sender in the